

**Locust Grove**  
**CH-353**  
**Harris Lot**  
**Private**

**1855**

Erected around 1855, Locust Grove is a well-maintained, extremely interesting example of 19th century vernacular architecture in Charles County. Carved from a larger parcel known as Banks of the Dee, Locust Grove is believed to have been constructed for Charles Carter Perry and his bride Elizabeth Francis Lloyd. In 1853 Perry was named Justice of the Peace for the Allen's Fresh Election District, and continued to serve public in various capacities as Officer of Registration, school trustee, and by 1872, as Commissioner for the 5th Election District.

Standing 2 1/2 stories in height, the main block of this frame dwelling has a three bay, double-pile, side-passage plan. The dwelling currently faces east with a 1 1/2 story gable wing flanking either gable end. The north wing is a 20th century addition, while the south wing represents a reworking of the late 19th century kitchen wing that had a simple shed roof. The farmhouse, extensively renovated by the current owners, stands on a 162 acre parcel upon which stands a mid-19<sup>th</sup> century pole tobacco barn. One of the dwelling's most interesting features is its highly irregular staircase. Aside from its unusual construction, its western orientation suggests that the house originally faced westward toward Banks of the Dee Road and Lloyd Creek.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CH-353

### 1. Name of Property

(indicate preferred name)

historic Locust Grove  
other Part of Banks of the Dee, Perry Farm

### 2. Location

street and number 11220 DeLozier Farm Road not for publication  
city, town Harris Lot vicinity  
county Charles

### 3. Owner of Property

(give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Marie L. DeLozier  
street and number 11220 DeLozier Farm Road telephone Unknown  
city, town Newburg state MD zip code 20664-3022

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Charles County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 86 p. 159  
city, town LaPlata liber 2363 folio 211

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District  
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER  
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report  
☐ Other

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			1

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Erected around 1850, Locust Grove is an interesting example of mid-19th century vernacular architecture in Charles County. Standing 2 1/2 stories in height, the main block of this frame dwelling has a three bay, double-pile, side-passage plan. The dwelling currently faces east with a 1 1/2 story gable wing flanking either gable end. The north wing is a 20th century addition, while the south wing represents a reworking of the late 19th century kitchen wing that had a simple shed roof. The farmhouse, extensively renovated by the current owners, stands on a 162 acre parcel upon which islands a mid 19th century pole tobacco barn, and a late 19th early 20th century stable, shed and meathouse. The latter was relocated from another site. One of the dwelling's most interesting features is its highly irregular staircase. Aside from it's unusual construction, its western orientation suggests that the house originally faced westward toward Banks of the Dee Road and the Potomac River. Locust Grove was first surveyed by J. Richard Rivoire in the mid- 1970's.

Locust Grove currently has a wood shingle roof over an earlier treatment of tin. The cornice is boxed and beaded while wood siding covers the frame. A pair of exterior brick chimneys appear on the south gable end. A full width shed roof porch extends the width of the east elevation. Original wood sash 6/6 windows are found throughout the main block. These windows, aligned in three bays form a symmetrical façade on both the east and west elevations. An exterior door stands on the northernmost bay on both eave elevations. A single, centered attic story window rests between the chimney stacks on the south wall.

The interior reveals a side-hall double pile plan with extremely simple original finishes. The hall connects exterior doors on either end, and also contains the stairway, facing west. Most of the original wood floors are found throughout the dwelling along with stark molding around the doors and baseboard. The only original mantel stands in the dining room. Original doors include 6-panel doors on the first floor and vertical plank doors on the second floor. The attic story holds original hand-planed paneling and batten doors. The original orientation is confirmed by a 1914 USGS map that identifies a road extending from Banks of the Dee Road to Harris Lot passing Locust Grove. This road continues on across Banks of the Dee Road to Lloyd Creek.

Several feature have been added at the time of the late 20th century renovation including wood paneling on the first floor gable walls, chair and crown molding and interior wood shutters. An interior window was removed and converted into the doorway when the north wing was added.

### POLE TOBACCO BARN, c. 1850

East of the dwelling is a gable roof tobacco barn erected with rough hewn posts set directly into the ground. The barn roof was extensively reworked in the 20th century. Originally the barn was covered with a gable roof and had an attached shed on the south end. Around 1960 the roof was completely rebuilt, creating a symmetrical roofline. At this time barn was covered with wood shingles and later reclad with the existing metal sheathing. Early machine cut nails with irregular heads are found in the barn construction. The barn includes 8 bays.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

**Specific dates** c. 1850

**Architect/Builder** Unknown

**Construction dates** c. 1850

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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Locust Grove stands on property acquired by the Lloyd family in the 1830's which once included much of the land between Piccowaxen Creek and Perry Branch. Banks of the Dee included a 990 tract purchased from Thomas Bucknan in 1835. Some time after 1854, Elizabeth Lloyd Perry formally acquired the north portion of Banks of the Dee which was later renamed Locust Grove. Around this time the Perry's erected the current dwelling.

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property 162

Acreage of historical setting Unknown

Quadrangle name Colonial Beach North

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Locust Grove is associated with Charles County Property Tax Map 86, Parcel 159.

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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name/title Cathy Currey/Historic Sites Surveyor

organization Charles County Planning Dept.

date 11/28/01

street and number 200 Baltimore Street

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city or town LaPlata

state MD zip code 20646

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust  
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100 Community Place  
Crownsville MD 21032  
410-514-7600

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CONTINUATION SHEET

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Locust Grove  
name of property  
Charles County, MD  
county and state

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**Chain of Title:**

**1854** Gerard W. Crain, trustee to Elizabeth Lloyd and others. Whereas by decree of circuit court dated 27 February 1852 in Elizabeth Lloyds and others vs. Thomas H. Bucknan...In 1835 Bucknan sold to Minchin Lloyd 2 tracts "Banks of the Dee and New Alpha totalling 990 acres. After the death of M. Lloyd and the settlement of his estate the court finds that the cost of this parcel was paid in full to Buchan.  
**JS 1:154**

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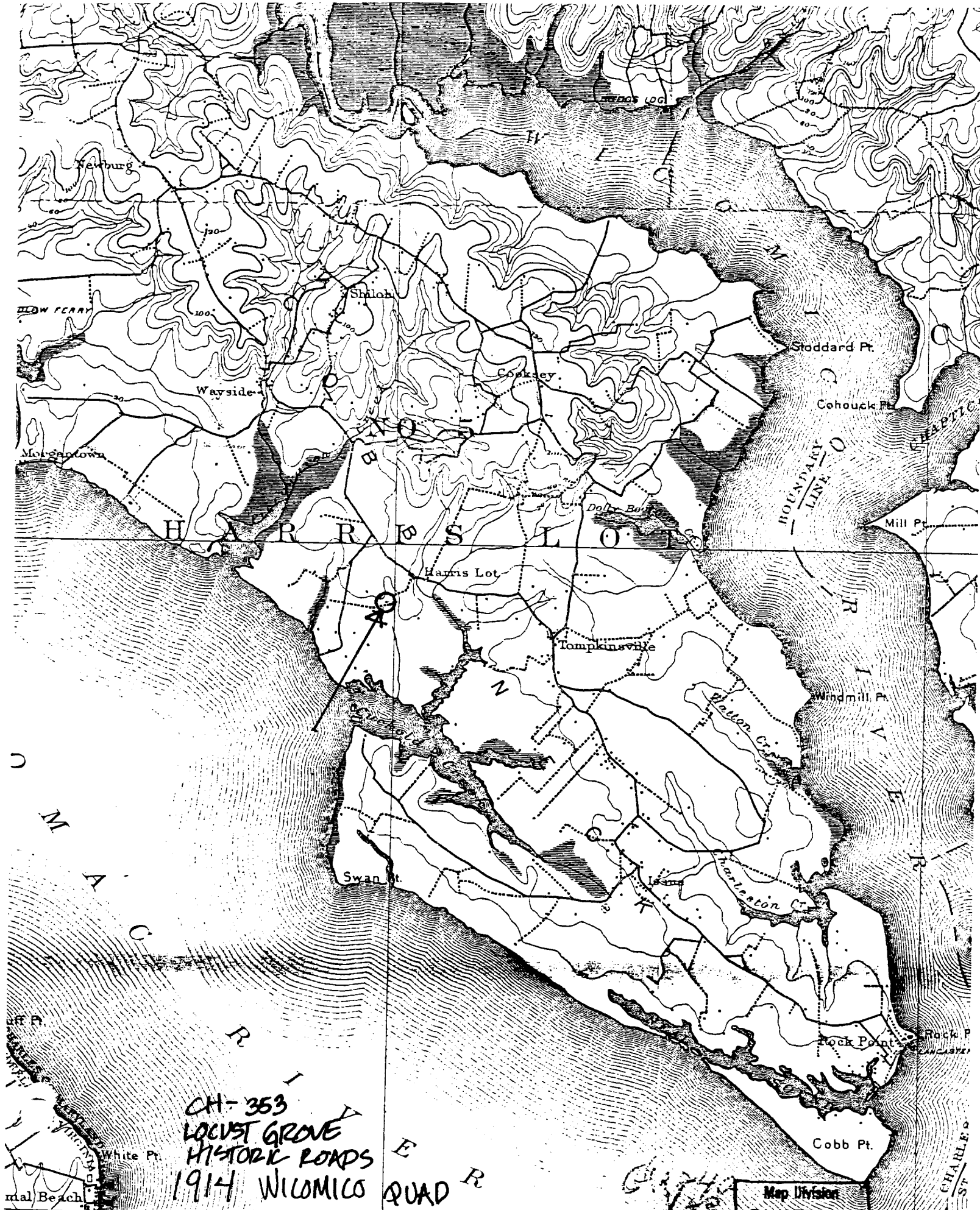
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Lloyd, Daniel B. The Lloyds of Southern Maryland.  
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LOCUST GROVE  
HISTORIC ROADS  
1914 WILCOMICO QUAD

Map Division  
3-SEP-1959  
Library of Congress

Scale 1:42500

Photographer in charge.

CH-353 Charles County, MD  
Name: LOCUST GROVE  
Location: HARRIS LOT  
Quad: COLONIAL BEACH, N.



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LOCUST GROVE  
CHARLES CO, MD  
9/2001  
C CURREY  
MD SHPO  
EAST ELEVATION  
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LOCUST GROVE  
CHARLES CO, MD  
9/2001  
C. CURREY  
MD SHPO  
LOOKING NW  
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LOCUST GROVE

CHARLES CO, MD

9/2001

C CURREY

MD STATE

W ELEVATION

3070

APRIL 25, 1900



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LOCUST GROVE

CHARLES CO, MD

9/2001

C. CURREY

MD SHPO

LOCUST GROVE, E ? SE ELEVATIONS

40F10



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LOCUST GROVE

CHARLES Co, MD

9/2001

C. CURREY

MD SHPO

ORIGINAL MOLDING, LOOKING N

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LOCUST GROVE  
CHARLES CO, MD

9/2001

C. CURTIS

MD SIKPO

STAIR, LOOKING NE

60010



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LOCUST GROVE

CHARLES CO, MD

9/2001

C. CURREY

MD SHPO

2ND FLOOR, LOOKING S

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LOCUST GROVE

CHARLES Co, MD

9/2001

C. CURREY

MD SITPO

2ND FLOOR, Looking N

ADP10



CH 353

LOCUST GROVE

CHARLES CO

4/2001

C. WIPREY

MD SHPO

attic, looking S

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LOCUST GROVE  
CHARLES CO, MD  
9/2001  
C. CURREY  
MD SHPO  
CURRENT PARLOR, LOOKINGS

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LOCUST GROVE (Harris; Harris Lot)  
Thompkinsville  
Private

mid-19th century

A frame farmhouse of basic Federal styling, Locust Grove, recently attractively renovated, is situated on land patented by Thomas Harris in 1651, and once part of the extensive landholdings of that prominent local family. The builder of the existing house, however, is not known. Interior detailing suggests that it was constructed in about 1840 or 50. The trim is extremely plain and lacks any truly dateable features. The doors are of a basically 19th century six-panel design. The recently built north wing was constructed on the site of an earlier kitchen and is somewhat similar in design. The south wing was added to the house circa 1900. The main block, the oldest section of the existing house, is three bays in width on both side elevations and has two exterior chimneys at one end. The floor plan is of the typical side hall-two room configuration.

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

CHAS-353

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

LOCUST GROVE (Harris Lot)

AND/OR COMMON

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

(Now Rock Point Road, MD257) Thompkinsville

South side of Newburg-Cobb Island Road, 1 mile west of /

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Thompkinsville ☒ VICINITY OF Mount Victoria 1st

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

Charles

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

#### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

☐ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

#### ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED

☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

#### PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

H. Carlyle de Lozier

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Locust Grove

CITY, TOWN

Newburg

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20664

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Charles County Courthouse

Liber #: 172

Folio #: 290

STREET & NUMBER

Charles Street (P.O. Box B)

CITY, TOWN

La Plata

STATE

Maryland 20646

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION****CONDITION**

☒ EXCELLENT  
☐ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

A simple, mid-19th century farmhouse of basic Federal styling, Locust Grove was recently attractively renovated and enlarged by its present owners.

The oldest section of the existing three-part house is the two-story center block. Three bays wide at both floor levels of both side elevations, it has a main entrance door occupying the first bay from the north end of the east front. This same elevation is sheltered by a one-story porch extending the full width of this side. The two first and three second floor windows are all of 6-over-6 pane sash. At the south end stands two exterior brick chimneys. Extending out from the north end of the center section is a one-story, two bay addition with two dormer windows on the front roof slope. At its north end stands a large exterior chimney. This addition was built on the site of an earlier kitchen wing and is of similar design. At the opposite end of the house is a one bay, one-story wing built in the late 19th century. It has a shed roofed porch across its south end. The whole of the exterior of the house is sheathed with beaded siding and the roof with wood shingles.

The interior of the main block has a side stair hall and two adjoining south rooms. The same room configuration is repeated on the second floor. The attic has a hall and one large room. The woodwork throughout the house is extremely plain. The stair, one of the more interesting features of the house, rises in four flights to the attic. It is of a curious design, with each of the four flights of steps set at a different angle, two with very low risers and deep treads and on the other two the opposite arrangement. The balustrade, with heavy Victorian-style newels at every turn, has been extensively reworked. It almost appears that the stair was salvaged from another building by a previous owner and made to fit into this house--no matter what the aesthetic cost. Both wings of the house contain small attic rooms accessible from the second floor of the main block. The partition wall separating the bedroom and hall of the attic of the main block is of extremely wide beaded boards.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES      C. 1850

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Locust Grove is located on a 35 acre tract of land identified as parcel 50, Map 83 of the Charles County Tax Maps (revised January, 1976).

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

J. Richard Rivoire, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Charles County Planning Department

DATE

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Charles County Courthouse

TELEPHONE

645-6537

CITY OR TOWN

La Plata

STATE

Maryland

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LOCUST GROVE (HARRIS LOT)

E. Front JRRivoire, 1978



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LOCUST GROVE (HARRIS LOT)

View From SE JRRivoire, 1978